

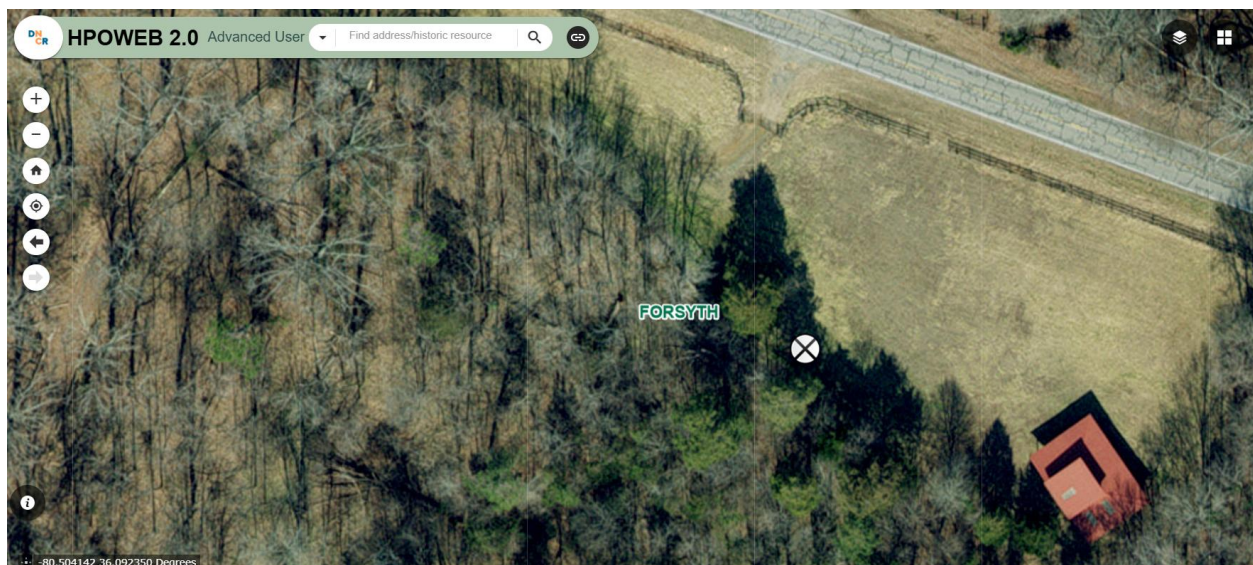
## NC Historical Commission Proposal – Shallow Ford Funder Acknowledgment Sign

The Division of Historic Sites proposes the installation of a moderately-sized metal sign listing organizations, individuals, and government entities which helped fund or supported the creation of the new Shallow Ford State Historic Site, currently in the final stages of development. This is an internal request being elevated from the staff. The effort to secure this property involved many different people and organizations who should be recognized for the group effort that led to the preservation of this historically significant property.

The sign will be a metal placard measuring 18 inches high by 24 inches wide, with a brown background and white text. The sign will be mounted on a U-channel post and located next to the welcome kiosk at the site's visitor parking area, along the path that visitors will walk to access the main hiking trail. A mockup of the sign is included in this proposal.

Shallow Ford State Historic Site is located at 9600 Shallowford Road in Lewisville in Forsyth County. It preserves and interprets the critical river crossing known as Shallow Ford, which was used for thousands of years by American Indians, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century North Carolinians, and soldiers of multiple wars from the Anglo-Cherokee War to the Civil War. It encompasses 246 acres of undeveloped land along the Yadkin River, including the location of the 18<sup>th</sup> century Hughes Tavern and surviving roadbed portions and other evidence of the Great Wagon Road. This site will open to the public in Fall 2026 to be used as a recreation area with hiking trails and interpretive waysides.

### Proposed Location:



**Proposed Wayside Style and Text**

**Size: 18 in. W by 24 in. H**

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